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## **CONSERVATION EFFORTS KEEP 812 AREA CODE INTACT**

Today, in Cause No. 41535 S812, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission dismissed its investigation into the exhaustion of numbers in the 812 area code, which covers the southern portion of Indiana.

The North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) declared a jeopardy status in September 2002. At that time it was projected that demand for numbers would exceed the supply.

However, action taken by the Commission to implement 1,000 block number pooling, along with the cooperation of telephone carriers, including wireless carriers, who voluntarily participated in the program have helped alleviate the number crunch. The Commission also cites the reduced demand for new numbers, and recovery of previously unused codes

In September 2003, the NANPA rescinded the jeopardy status of the 812 area code, and moved the date for the exhaustion of the 812 area code to the second quarter of 2007.

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